

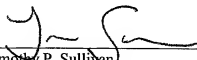
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action mailed January 10, 2008 has been received and the Examiner's comments carefully reviewed. Claims 1-28 are allowable. Claim 5 is objected to because of informalities. Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite in that it fails to point out what is exactly in the claim language. In response, Claim 5 has been amended. The Applicants note that Claim 5 was amended in the preliminary amendment filed March 8, 2005 to correct the typographical error such that Claim 5 depends on Claim 1 and not on Claim 5.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, all pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Therefore, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any further issues regarding this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney for the applicant at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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